



Several leaders at Music Tournament held Mar. 1 at Clarke College observe Betty Ray of Greenwood play a hymn. From left: James McElroy, professor of music, Clarke College; H. G. Earwood, minister of music, Fairview Church, Columbus and Dan C. Hall, music director.

Easter Appeal Is Made By Village

The Baptist Children's Village has called attention to its annual "Dress a Child at Easter" campaign, which is currently in progress.

According to the announcement, all individual Baptists and friends of children are invited to participate by sponsoring one or more of the boys and girls at the Village by furnishing new clothing for Spring and Summer suitable for church attendance.

Paul N. Nunnery, superintendent at Mississippi Baptists' child care agency, stated that the Easter project has grown, through the interest and generosity of individual Baptists to the point that in some years, the annual clothing budget at the Village for new clothing is virtually underwritten from the response to this one appeal.

He pointed out that any funds contributed in response to this appeal makes it possible for Village administration and staff to employ general budget funds in much more important areas of program which vitally affect the social, emotional and spiritual growth and development of the children.

Many inquiries and expressions of interest have already been received in connection with the campaign observance, but Superintendent Nunnery has advised that approximately 130 children still require sponsorship.

"Easter has become a day of Thanksgiving for us," Mr. Nunnery declared, "as we at the Village are reminded each year of the hundreds of individual friends our children may count among Mississippi Baptists, and as we are reminded of other hundreds who every year are coming to a new consciousness of the significance of our church's child care effort as a mission field."

The Village staff invites individuals to respond to the 1968 appeal, either through gifts of

cash or gifts of new clothing. Friends may send cash gifts to the Village for deposit to the general Easter clothing fund or designated for specific children.

Gifts of cash are suggested for all boys because of difficulties in fitting boys.

Cash gifts will be used by Village staff in shopping for the children and may be sent in suggested amounts of not less than \$10.00 for children of less than 9 years; not less than \$15.00 for children of 9 to 12 years; not less than \$25.00 for children of 13 to 17 years; not less than \$35.00 for

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100 Men Are Sought For Ohio Crusade

One hundred Mississippi Baptist men are being sought for a Witnessing Crusade in the Steele Valley Baptist Association in Ohio June 25-30, according to Claude Townsend, of Florence, member of Mississippi Baptist Pioneer Missions Committee and chairman for the Ohio Crusade.

Seventy-five laymen and 25 pastors are needed, Mr. Townsend said, for the 25 four-man teams necessary to expedite the campaign, he added.

Men interested in participating in the Crusade are asked to contact the Brotherhood Department of the Mississippi

Baptist Convention Board, Rev. E. L. Howell, director, C. O. Box 530, Jackson, Miss. 39205.

Men participating will be required to pay their own expenses or be sponsored by some group or organization, Mr. Howell said.

Rev. Ross Hughes, superintendent of missions of the heavily populated Warren, Ohio area, said that the men would be asked to seek out new places for the starting of missions.

"Double the number of Baptist Ministries" in Steele Valley Association will be the ob-

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Five Festivals To Be Conducted

Four Music Youth Festivals and one Junior Festival have been scheduled for the state, according to Dan C. Hall, director of the Music Department, sponsor.

On March 9 Youth Festivals will be held at Carey College, Hattiesburg and Clarke College, Newton.

On March 23 Youth Festivals will be conducted at Mississippi College, Clinton and Blue Mountain College.

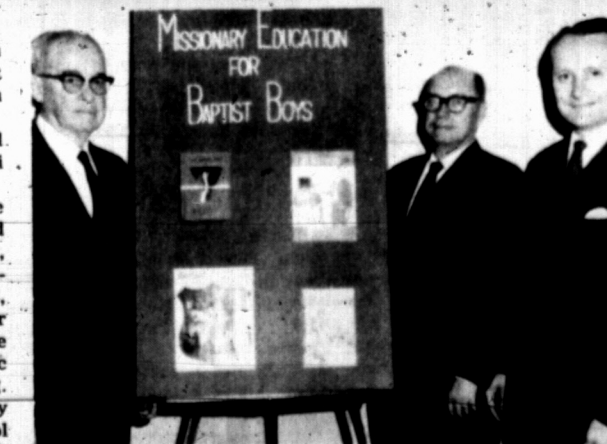
A state-wide Junior-Festival will be held at the Mississippi Coliseum in Jackson April 6.

At the Carey Festival the conductor of the experienced group will be Leroy McClard, associate in Music Department, Sunday School Board, Nashville, while the conductor for "first timers" will be Bill Benson, minister of music Temple Church, Hattiesburg.

At the Clarke meeting Ray Conner of the Sunday School Board will conduct the experienced group with Billy Vaughn, minister of music, First Church, Columbus, to lead the "first timers."

At the Blue Mountain Festival James Coleman, dean

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More than 500 boys and their leaders attended the first of a series of Brotherhood Man and Boy Rallies held Mar. 1 at Highland Church, Laurel. In top photo John Bewley, minister of activities, Broadmoor Church, Jackson, shows Joe, his "assistant," to Glenn and David Pickering of Laurel. In lower photo three men observe poster, from left: Carl Wilson, Ellsville layman; Rev. E. L. Howell, Brotherhood director and Rev. Robert Hollifield, missionary to Italy.

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MC SETS PLANS FOR STUDENT AID FUND

Almost 50 Mississippi College supporters met in Jackson recently to finalize plans for the 1968 Student Aid Fund Appeal being supported jointly by the college's Alumni Association and the Booster Club.

The group, coming from all sections of the state, will attempt to raise \$50,000 to aid needy and worthy students during the school year 1968-69. Of the total sought, \$26,000 will be used for athletic or Choctaw scholarships and \$24,000 for non-athletic student aid.

The presidents of the two sponsoring groups, Ralph Hester of Jackson for the Alumni Association and Doss Fulton, of Jackson for the Booster Club, both spoke in behalf of the fund appeal.

Fulton offered a resolution whereby the individuals at the meeting, as representatives of the various groups of the college, constitute themselves as the Advisory Committee to push to a successful conclusion the current fund appeal.

Fulton's resolution also

recommended that any funds received over the stated goal be placed in a revolving student loan fund for use in future years. The resolution passed unanimously.

Dr. R. A. McElmore, president of the college, gave a rundown on the amount of money the college distributed to students this past year, stating that \$123,162 went to 298 students in various scholarship forms. He also said 264 students received \$208,683 through the United Student

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CHURCHES INCLUDED

Massive Urban Plans Ready

By W. Barry Garrett

WASHINGTON (BP)—President Lyndon B. Johnson has challenged church groups as well as other private and governmental agencies to help solve "the crisis of the cities."

The President in a message to Congress called for a multi-billion dollar program to help meet urban problems which he said, "rise from the decay of the decades."

"Today, America's cities are in crisis... the human problems of the city are staggering," the President declared. Among the problems he listed:

*Ghetto youth with little

education, no skills and limited opportunity.

*Citizens afraid to walk their streets at night.

*Negroes, Puerto Rican and Mexican-Americans barred by prejudice from full participation in the city's life.

"Illiteracy and disease, a lack of jobs and even dignity itself—these are the problems of the city, just as its tenements, traffic jams and rats are problems," Johnson said.

"The problem is so vast," the President said, "that the answer can only be forged by responsible leadership from every sector, public and private."

The challenge "extends to church and community groups, and to the family itself," he continued.

Among the many proposals to help solve urban problems, the President is asking for grants, loans and technical assistance for private non-profit groups engaged in housing projects. Many of these are church groups.

The requests of the President are almost as staggering as the problems of the cities themselves. They run headlong into the economy mood of the Congress that cut back appropriations for many government programs last year.

In spite of Congressional reluctance, the administration continues to call for a new anti-inflation tax, for fair housing legislation, for funding and strengthening of programs already approved, and for creative and expanded approaches to city problems.

In a press conference, Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Affairs, Robert Weaver, said that the new proposals of the Presi-

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Davis Receives Major Award

Dr. Wm. P. Davis, of Jackson, received a major award Wednesday night at the annual Rural and Urban Ministers' Institute held Feb. 27-29 at Alcorn A.&M. College at Lorman, Miss.

Dr. Davis, director of the Department of Work with National Baptists, received an attractive plaque with the following inscription:

"Presented to Dr. Wm. P. Davis for dedicated service rendered to Negro Ministers of Mississippi by Alcorn A. & M. College Ministers' Institute 1968."

The presentation was made by Mrs. Melerson Guy Dunham, chairman of the Religious Life Committee of the Institute.

Groups cooperating in sponsoring the Institute are the Board of Mission of the Meth-

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The annual convention of Mississippi Baptist Woman's Missionary Union will be held at Calvary Baptist Church in Jackson March 26-27.

Up to 1500 women, coming from every section of the state, are expected to attend the meeting, to begin Tuesday morning at 9:15 o'clock and adjourn Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.

Presiding will be Mrs. W. F. Hannah, Clinton, president, who, according to custom, is scheduled to be reelected.

Principal speakers will include Mrs. Robert Fling of Cleburne, Texas, president of Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. Wayne Dehoney, pastor of Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Ky.; Dr. Eva Marie Kennard, of Berkeley, Cal., of the Home Mission Board staff, who works with international students, and the following foreign missionaries:

Miss Margaret Fairburn, to Liberia; Rev. and Mrs. Hal Lee, France; Miss Georgia Mae Ogburn, Chile; Rev. and Mrs. James Foster, the Philippines; Miss Mary Frank Kirkpatrick, Nigeria; Rev. and Mrs. John Smith, Indonesia; Miss Mary Louise Hobart, Tanzania; Miss Emogene Harris, Nigeria; Miss Antonina Canzoneri, Nigeria; Rev. Robert Hollifield, Italy; Rev. and Mrs. Robert Williams, Nigeria.

Miss Martha Franks, former missionary to Taiwan, will lead the opening worship period at each session and bring the closing message on missions involvement.

David Ford, minister of music and youth for First Baptist Church, Port Arthur, Texas, will lead the music for the convention and render a vocal solo at each session.

Primary Sunbeam members from the Jackson area will "meet the missionaries" at the host church from 4:30-5:30 Tuesday afternoon.

A Girls' Auxiliary Gathering will be held at the host church Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

A highlight of the convention will be the Tuesday evening session in which the Crusade of the Americas will be emphasized.

Dr. Dehoney, regional coordinator for the U.S.A. and Canada of the Crusade, will be the closing speaker.

A flag ceremony, presented by a group of Young Women's Auxiliary members, will be held, with flags of 50 countries participating in the Crusade to be displayed, as well as Christian flags.

Owen Cooper, Yazoo City layman, a member of the Central Coordinating Committee of the Crusade, will lead the closing prayer.

Miss Edwina Robinson, executive secretary of the

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Mrs. Robert Fling



Dr. Wayne Dehoney



Dr. Eva Marie Kennard

BAPTISTS IN WORLD TOTAL 29.8 MILLION

WASHINGTON (BP)—The membership of Baptist churches around the world shot upward by 2.6 million in the latest tabulation by the Baptist World Alliance.

A statistical table prepared annually shows a 1968 membership total of 29,817,707 as compared with a total compilation of 27,183,622 a year ago.

Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary of B. W. A., said that the statistics include only baptized believers who have "personally professed faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord and followed him in believer's baptism."

The largest gains were in Negro conventions in North America. Figures for the National Baptist Convention of

America jumped 831,000 to a current 3.5 million. The National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., showed a gain of 800,000 to a current 6.3 million. The Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc., climbed from 505,000 to 521,000.

The largest single group is the Southern Baptist Convention, in the U.S.A., with a new total of 11,142,726—up 370,000 over the previously tabulated figures.

Nordenhaug said that the gains were not necessarily achieved in a 12 month period because in some cases the previous comparative figures were more than a year old.

The new totals by continents (Continued On Page 3)

Churches Leading In Cooperative Giving

50 Churches Leading In Total Cooperative Program Giving

Church	Association	Pastor	Total Coop. Program Gifts
1. 1st Jackson	Hinds	Douglas Hudgins	95,353.63
2. Calvary	Hinds	Joe Tuten	69,605.75
3. 1st Columbus	Lowndes	S. R. Woodson	54,573.62
4. Broadmoor	Hinds	David Grant	50,625.36
5. 1st Greenville	Washington	Perry Claxton	45,638.65
6. 1st Meridian	Lauderdale	Beverly Tinnin	41,567.74
7. 1st Starkville	Okfuskeena	D. C. Applegate	39,355.72
8. 1st Yazoo	Yazoo	James Yates	33,566.95
9. 1st Grenada	Grenada	Bob Leavell	33,554.01
10. 1st Brookhaven	Lincoln	Bob Ramsay	29,916.68
11. Alta Woods	Hinds	Joe Cothen	29,889.34
12. 1st Natchez	Adams	Tom Dunlap	28,502.25
13. 1st Vicksburg	Warren	John McCall	28,039.12
14. 1st Kosciusko	Attala	Harold Kitchings	27,007.50
15. 1st Leland	Washington	James Richardson	26,650.79

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50 Churches Leading In Per Capita Cooperative Program Giving

Church	Pastor	Association	Per Capita Coop. Program Gift
1. 1st Columbus	S. R. Woodson	Lowndes	29.00
2. 1st Pontotoc	W. Levon Moore	Pontotoc	28.58
3. 1st Yazoo City	James Yates	Yazoo	27.20
4. Bruce	Kermit McGregor	Calhoun	24.49
5. 1st Grenada	Bob Leavell	Grenada	23.45
6. 1st Leland	J. Richardson	Washington	23.09
7. 1st Natchez	Tom Dunlap	Adams	22.78
8. 1st Newton		Newton	22.47
9. West Kemper	Ivor Clark	Kemper	22.22
10. 1st Magee	Mei Craft	Simpson	21.94
11. Pelahatchie	Bob Maddox	Rankin	21.73
12. Prentiss	L. E. Green	Jeff Davis	21.60
13. Monticello	James Harrell	Lawrence	20.43
14. 1st Jackson	Douglas Hudgins	Hinds	20.14
15. Poplar Springs Dr.	Harold O'Chester	Lauderdale	20.13

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ABC President Urges SBC-ABC Merger

NASHVILLE (BP) — The president of the American Baptist Convention told a Southern Baptist audience here he would do anything within his power to bring about a merger between the American and Southern Baptist Conventions.

L. Doward McBain of Phoenix, Ariz., strongly urged all Baptist bodies in the nation to unite, but conceded later he did not think it would happen soon.

McBain, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Phoenix and president of the 1½ million-member ABC, spoke at the First Baptist Church here where H. Franklin Paschall, president of the Southern Baptist Convention, is pastor.

"We aren't very different when it gets right down to it," McBain told about 200 members of the church attending a Wednesday evening service. "Let's unite," he declared. "Let's start it tonight. If my saying it would nudge it one inch closer, I would say it with whatever influence the office might have. Let's unite."

"We've been apart too long—more than a century. We ought to be working together in one body," he said.

"If your pastor had his way, he'd probably say the same thing," McBain added.

Paschall said in an interview that it would be great if all Baptists could get together, but he was more pessimistic about the reality of the possibilities. "There are too many structural and organizational difficulties," he said.

Both Paschall and McBain cited some cultural and theological differences between American and Southern Baptists, but added that within both conventions, there is probably as much divergence as there is between them.

"Theologically," McBain said, "there is probably not as much difference between American Baptists and Southern Baptists as most people might think."

He based his message on the cross and the crucifixion preaching on Hebrews 9, saying the cross is central among all Christians, not just Southern Baptists. Much of his message, however, was devoted to unity between American and Southern Baptists.

Following his address, McBain threw the floor open for questions, answering why American Baptists are not part of the Crusade of the Americas on a national basis.

He pointed out, however, that many American Baptists on a local and state level will be participating in the hemispheric-wide effort, and announced that Paschall had been invited to Phoenix to speak at a Crusade of the Americas rally. McBain said American Baptists in Arizona are in the crusade.

A question by Clifton J. Allen, editorial secretary for the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board here, asked McBain to list what he considered to be the positive attitudes that should unify and deepen the bonds between the ABC and SBC.

McBain listed two major factors in reply: first, because of the deep crying need of America, for no denomination can do the job alone.

"The only time we Baptists ever seem to get together is over alcohol and Billy Graham," he quipped. "We're all for one and against the other."

Second, he said, Baptists should recognize the gifts they have and share them with others.

THINGS TO WRITE FOR: "Cigarette Smoking & Health Characteristics" 64-page book of health statistics, data from the National Health Survey. (Also known as Public Health Service Publication No. 1000, Series 10, No. 34.) Available at 45¢ from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C. 20402.

IF YOU DRINK... DON'T WALK?



A director-led Sunday School Enlargement Campaign for Hinds Association was held Feb. 24-Mar. 1. At a meeting at Broadmoor Church the director, Dr. George Stuart, consultant in associational work, Sunday School Board, director, points to chart used during campaign. Others are, from left: Rev. Fred Tarpley, Hinds superintendent of missions; Rev. Don Wainwright, pastor of West Jackson Church and Dr. David Grant, host pastor.



Associational WMU officers from every section of the state met at Camp Garaywa Feb. 27 for an interpretation of new WMU plans. Several leaders are seen, from left: Mrs. W. E. Hannah, Clinton, state president; Miss Edwina Robinson, executive secretary; Miss Alma Hunt, Birmingham, SBC WMU executive secretary, and Mrs. Tammy Etheridge, Chathage.

Phelps Resigns OEO, Eyes Governorship

ATLANTA (BP) — With plans to return to his former position as president of Ouachita Baptist University in Arkadelphia, Ark., coupled with possible designs on the governorship of Arkansas, Ralph A. Phelps Jr., has resigned as regional director of the Office of Economic Opportunity (OEO) here.

The well-known Southern Baptist said there is an "outside possibility" that he may run as a Democratic candidate against Republican Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller of Arkansas this year.

He said he has been urged to enter the governor's race, but that there "are no firm plans at this time." The ticket closes March 30.

"So if I'm going to run, I'll have to decide between now and then. One hurdle is getting the financial support one needs to run against a Rockefeller," Phelps said.

He explained when he took the War on Poverty position in September, he expected to stay one year, and had taken a year's leave of absence from the Baptist school where

he had been president for 14 years.

He stayed with the OEO, however, only six months. There had been rumors circulating in Baptist circles for several weeks that Phelps was unhappy and wanted to leave the OEO.

Phelps was quoted by the Atlanta Constitution as saying that "anybody who works in the anti-poverty program feels frustrated."

He added that the basic idea of the poverty program—helping people to help themselves—is a good idea. But implementation of that idea has sometimes been somewhat less than "a howling success."

He told the Baptist Press, "After six months work with the OEO, I am more convinced than ever before of the importance of Christian education and our church-related colleges."

"If a government bureaucracy is the hope of the world," he said, "then the world is without hope, in my judgment."

"Our sick society has no chance of getting well apart from the moral and spiritual values taught by our churches and by a school like Ouachita," he added. "I am eager to resume my work in our Baptist school."

Phelps became regional director of the Southeast Region of the OEO on Sept. 1, 1967. He was responsible for coordinating all War on Poverty programs in the six state region including Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, South Carolina, Mississippi and Florida.

In his statement of resignation, Phelps said that "circumstances at Ouachita Baptist University are such" that he decided to return there before his year's leave of absence was over. He said his responsibility in Arkansas was the "primary reason" for leaving the War on Poverty.

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children of college age.

Gifts of new clothing may be furnished by requesting names and sizes of children from Village offices, sewing or shopping for the children in the sponsor's home town and mailing the gift to the children, or calling at the Village campus and taking the sponsored child or children shopping in the Jackson area.

Individuals desiring further information may write to: The Baptist Children's Village, Box A, Delta Station, Jackson, Miss., 39123, or telephone Village offices in Jackson at 922-2242.

Massive Urban

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dent "have a magnitude, a clout, that others have not had before." He expressed the hope that the new proposals were comprehensive enough to overcome the resistance of many in Congress who have not supported the President's programs the past two years.

Among the President's recommendations in his 20-page message are the following:

1. Full appropriation of the \$2.18 billion already authorized for the anti-poverty program.

2. A Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 which will provide for the construction of 26 million new homes and apartments over the next 10 years.

3. A program to provide 300,000 housing starts in fiscal 1969 for the poor, the handicapped, the displaced and families with moderate incomes.

4. Full and additional funding of the model cities program already approved by Congress.

5. A federal-state-industry program for a National Insurance Development Corporation for protection of property owners and developers.

6. Plans for help to solve urban transportation problems.

7. A New Communities Act of 1968 which will provide funds to help develop new planned communities and cities.

Controversy Seen

The massive Johnson proposals inevitably will kick off controversy in Congress and around the nation. Naturally, economy-minded people will protest. Others with programs of their own will fight for their own proposals. Both political parties will vie for the spotlight in meeting the needs of people.

Unless escalating war conditions make it prohibitive, it seems certain that the nation is headed for a period of vast development and change in its approaches to problems of the cities.

The churches face crucial questions in helping solve the crisis of the cities. At least these issues before the churches must be considered:

*Will the churches understand the issues and participate in planning to solve human problems in the cities?

*Will the churches form partnerships with government and other private agencies in the new programs that are developing?

*Will the churches continue their traditional roles and influence in the society or will they be flexible and develop new institutional ways of helping to meet human need?

100 Men Are

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jective of the Crusade, Mr. Hughes said, with 20 to be the actual number of new missions to be sought.

Regular Crusade services in the local churches will be held on Wednesday or Thursday nights and on Sunday morning, he added.

Saturday will be "Rally Day" with three simultaneous area meetings to be conducted.

Mississippi Baptists men have gone to this same association for crusades the past two years.



REV. FRED TARPLEY, superintendent of missions for Hinds County Association, has been invited by the Foreign Mission Board to lead three revivals in Brazil as a part of the Crusade of Americas. He and seven other ministers from Texas, Kentucky, South Carolina, Ohio and Illinois will leave March 7. They will spend a week in each of the following cities: Sao Paulo, Goiania, and Brasilia. Mr. Tarpley will also spend two days in Rio de Janeiro.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Graham Office May Bid On Liner

MINNEAPOLIS (EP)—The Billy Graham Evangelistic Association expects to know "in a couple weeks" whether it will bid for the ocean liner Queen Elizabeth, an official said on her return from London.

George M. Wilson, executive vice president and treasurer of the association, said Cunard Lines is now negotiating with an unidentified country on possible sale of the liner.

He said the association is "very interested" in the Queen Elizabeth and believes it would make "a unique facility." If the Graham association acquired it, it would probably dock the Elizabeth at some southern port and use it as a conference and retreat center.

Prof Urges Teaching Of Religion

DALLAS (BP)—A Baylor University professor who supports the U. S. Supreme Court decisions barring religious exercises in public schools has urged that religion should be taught as an academic subject in all schools.

James E. Wood Jr., told delegates to the National Council of Churches Christian Education division session that such court decisions did not outlaw teaching of religion in public schools, just exercises such as prayers.

Wood, director of J. M. Dawson studies in Church and State at Baylor University and editor of A Journal of Church and State, said religion has been one of the most dominant factors in the formation of world culture and history.

Dutch Baptisms Hit Record

The Union of Baptist Churches in the Netherlands reports that its churches baptized 464 converts during 1967, a record annual number. The previous year's high was 382 baptisms in 1962, and the average since 1945 has been 309 a year. By contrast, the number of baptisms for 1966 was only 214.

Several remarkable baptismal services were held in churches in Emmen and Stadskanaal during 1967, one with more than 30 converts being immersed. Large groups attended these services, meaning that they created enough interest in the community beyond Baptist families for many non-Baptists to be present. (EBPS)

Southern Baptist Named To Force

NEW YORK (BP) — A 35-member Task Force on Alcoholism which includes one Southern Baptist has been established by the National Council of Churches to explore and help shape a national policy for the National Council of Churches on Problem drinking and alcoholism.

The Task Force will also "explore the meaning and implications" of a comprehensive and controversial report on alcohol problems called the Cooperative Commission on the Study of Alcoholism.

A storm of controversy surrounded release of the report, which among other things called for lower drinking ages, over whether or not the National Council of Churches had endorsed the report. The NCC strongly denied it had endorsed the five-year study as reported by the press.

Protestants Asked To Aid Viet

NEW YORK (RNS) — American Protestants are being asked to provide \$100,000 immediately to meet the needs of an estimated 500,000 new refugees created by the Communists' offensive in Vietnam.

The appeal is being made through the three agencies cooperating in Vietnam Christian Service, major American relief service in the war-torn country.

Dr. James MacCracken, executive director of Church World Service, said the money is "urgently needed in this new situation to buy food, blankets and clothing."

Devaluation Hits British Missions

LONDON—Devaluation of Britain's national currency late last year may hit the Baptist Missionary Society there "very hard," according to secretary A. S. Clement. About 40,000 lbs. (\$60,000 new rate) may have to be added to BMS' budget to compensate for devaluation.

Clement told the society's general committee in London that most BMS commitments are in areas abroad where the effects of the pound's lowered worth worked against the society. The pound was devalued about 14 per cent.

The annual budget, based on the higher value of the pound, is 465,838 lbs.—(EBPS)

Methodists Set Sex Youth Course

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—The Methodist Church has issued what denominational officials believe is the first comprehensive youth course on sex prepared by a U. S. Church.

Now being distributed to 31,600 local chairmen for Christian Social Concerns, the course has been hailed by Ludwig Lankford of the national Board of Social Concerns as a "landmark" project.

Mr. Lankford said he is hopeful that widespread usage of the material will be afforded by other denominations. The Methodist Church will encourage its use by other groups.

Baptist Editor Okays Viet War

LOUISVILLE (BP)—The editor of the Western Recorder, official publication of the Kentucky Baptist Convention, said editorially that there seems to be "no just and honorable alternative" but to pursue the Vietnam war "to a successful end."

Editor C. R. Daley said that the United States should follow its present course in order to protect all of Southeast Asia including Australia from the domination of Communism.

Calling the present military action "the lesser of evils," Daley observed that "we have no choice but to continue to fight for the freedom of the Vietnamese and consider it (the war) as holy a war as a war can be."

'Bible' Carried With Olympic Torch

GRENOBLE, France (EP)—Alain Calmet, the last of 400 relay runners who carried the Olympic Torch from Mt. Olympus in Greece and who ascended the 96 steps here to light the flame, had in the other hand a Scripture portion published by the Pocket Testament League, according to John Jesberg, a representative of the organization from Paris.

Calmet reportedly took the PTL Gospel enroute to the long stairs as he was about to inaugurate the 10th Winter Olympic Games.

More than 100,000 pieces of literature were distributed in 12 to 15 languages by teams of the Olympic Christian Action in Grenoble.

The year of 1968 will mark great enrichment in those families who adopt a missionary family and remember them in their daily prayers and weekly giving.—Magnuson.

Churches Leading In Cooperative Giving

Total Giving

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16. 1st Hattiesburg	Lebanon	Brooks Wester	25,585.60
17. Poplar Springs	Dr. Lauderdale	Harold Chester	25,257.43
18. 1st McComb	Pike	Wyatt Hunter	25,234.45
19. 1st Pontotoc	Pontotoc	Levon Moore	24,919.48
20. 1st Gulfport	Gulf Coast	William Tanner	24,741.71
21. 1st Columbia	Marion	Howard Aultman	23,695.29
22. Parkway	Hinds	Bill Causey	23,514.00
23. 1st New Albany	Union Co.	William Evans	23,233.89
24. 1st Clinton	Hinds	Russell McIntire	22,246.84
25. 1st Batesville	Panola	J. R. Davis	21,740.51
26. 1st Oxford	Lafayette	Wayne Coleman	21,639.69
27. Calvary Tupelo	Lee	John Traylor	21,590.01
28. 1st West Point	Clay	Jimmy Hipp	21,203.03
29. Main Street	Lebanon	John Barnes	19,411.01
30. 1st Magee	Simpson	Mel Craft	19,112.81
31. Ridgcrest	Hinds	Earl Kelly	18,873.74
32. 1st Laurel	Jones	Bob Marsh	18,718.46
33. 1st Louisville	Winston	Vernon May	18,640.33
34. 1st Crystal Springs	Copiah	Estus Mason	18,617.37
35. Bruce	Calhoun	Kermit McGregor	18,145.80
36. Harrisburg	Lee	Robert Hamblin	18,101.11
37. 1st Picaune	Pearl River	Carless Evans	17,797.17
38. Highland	Lauderdale		17,168.06
39. 1st Newton	Newton		16,582.81
40. 1st Mendenhall	Simpson	N. F. Davis	16,448.27
41. Woodland Hills	Hinds	Fuller Sanders	16,072.27
42. 1st Greenwood	Leflore	Clifton Perkins	15,364.00
43. 1st Quitman	Clarke	Jackie Hamilton	15,000.00
44. 1st Aberdeen	Monroe	James Fancher	14,666.66
45. Bowmar	Warren	Gwin Turner	14,597.44
46. Prentiss	Jeff Davis	L. E. Green	14,473.33
47. Oakhurst	Riverside	K. F. Horton	14,317.34
48. Fifteenth Ave.	Lauderdale	Bob Simmons	14,285.91
49. 1st Biloxi	Gulf Coast	Larry Rohrman	13,978.47
50. 1st Houston	Chickasaw	Malcolm Jones	13,658.56

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16. Glendale Hattiesburg	D. W. Rouse	20.04
17. 1st Ripley	Robert Martin	19.95
18. 1st Quitman	Jackie Hamilton	19.79
19. 1st Louisville	Vernon May	19.75
20. 1st Mendenhall	N. F. Davis	19.60
21. 1st Okolona	James Ruffin	19.37
22. Tyro	Don Stanfill	19.20
23. Dixie Hattiesburg	R. C. Woodham	19.15
24. Sardis	Charles Conley	18.78
25. 1st New Albany	Pete Evans	18.72
26. Kewanee-Meridian	R. H. Cherry	18.57
27. 1st Aberdeen	James Fancher	18.40
28. 1st Batesville	J. R. Davis	18.35
29. 1st Meridian	Beverly Tinnin	18.28
30. Myrtle	Percy Ray	18.17
31. Collins	Joe Ratchiff	18.03
32. Slayden	M. L. Swinney	18.03
33. 1st Kosciusko	Harold Kitchings	17.97
34. Berwick	Jonathan Waddell	17.54
35. 1st Calhoun City	Bill Baker	17.42
36. Union	Clarke	17.21
37. Friendship McComb	Charles Taylor	17.03
38. Broadmoor Jackson	David Grant	16.98
39. Calvary Jackson	Joe Tuten	16.81
40. 1st Florence	J. M. Metts	16.75
41. 1st Laurel	Bob Marsh	16.68
42. Parkway Kosciusko	Billy Williams	16.52
43. Meadowood Amory	Monroe	16.43
44. Indian Springs	Ray Pridgen	16.34
45. Hickory	H. L. Davis	16.12
46. Parkway Natchez	Fred Robertson	16.06
47. Calvary Tupelo	John Traylor	16.04
48. 1st Morton	Bill Ross	16.01
49. Bethany	James Harvey	15.86
50. 1st Greenville	Perry Claxton	15.60

Five Festivals

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of Music Department of University of Mississippi, will lead the experienced group while director for the "first timers" will be announced later.

Dr. Donald Winters, dean of Music Department of Carey College, will conduct the experienced group at the Mississippi College Festival with the "first timers" to be led by Jimmy Cutrell, minister of music, First Church, Prentiss.

Each festival will run from 9:30 a. m. - 3:30 p. m.

The guest conductor for the Junior Festival will be Ronald Wells, minister of music, First Church, Beaumont, Texas.

Organist will be Bill Trotter, professor of organ, and Mrs. Beverly Shaw, music instructor, both of Mississippi College.

The Festival will be held from 9:30 a. m. - 2:00 p. m.

MC Sets Plans

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Aid Fund and that \$85,500 was distributed to 285 students through the student work program.

The number of students aided in the various programs totaled 847, or over half of the full-time student body, with the total dollar output being \$417,345. Dr. McLemore indicated that this past year was the 36th consecutive year that the college had operated on a balanced budget.

Others speaking in behalf of the fund appeal were Dr. William Lewis Nobles, president-elect of the college; B. C. Rogers of Morton, president of the Board of Trustees; W. D. Lofton of Brookhaven, chairman of the athletic committee of the Board of Trustees; and Hartwell McPhail, director of athletics.

In other business of the night, W. W. Gresham of Indianapolis was elected a member of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Association. He fills the vacancy created by the death of Tobe Reno of Indianapolis. The term expires in 1970.

Film On Bobby Richardson Released

THE BOBBY RICHARDSON STORY, a new color film, has been released by Gospel Films, Inc., Muskegon, Michigan.

This action-packed document is made up of highlights from the life of former New York Yankee second baseman, Bobby Richardson, who retired recently to devote his life to helping the youth of the world.

Beginning with a sandlot game in South Carolina, this film includes scenes from the World Series when Bobby set a new record for the most runs batted in in one series. It shows the grand slam home run which made him one of 7 players who have accomplished this in all of World Series history.

Though small in size, Bobby Richardson played second base so well that Casey Stengel, manager of the New York Yankees, said, "I can put Richardson at second in the first game and forget about second base for the rest of the season."

Bobby Richardson is more than an athlete. He's a man who is concerned about others, and THE BOBBY RICHARDSON STORY shows the people and the events that molded him into the kind of person that fathers want their sons to be.

THE BOBBY RICHARDSON STORY is the latest release from Gospel Films, Inc., producers of THE TONY FONTANE STORY, and HEY THERE, VONDA!, with Vonda Kay Van Dyke, Miss America 1965. Gospel Films has also released THE PAUL CARLSON STORY, THE BILLY SUNDAY STORY, BELOVED ENEMY, and RIDING THE PULPIT, which traces the life of Jess Moody, Pastor of the First Baptist Church at West Palm Beach, Florida.



NASHVILLE — WILLIAM H. ICHTER, Southern Baptist missionary, Brazil, and W. Hines Sims, secretary, church music department, Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, discuss the new English version of "Crusade of the Americas." Ichter composed the music to the song. Words were first written by a Brazilian Baptist poet, Mario Barreto Franca. Sims was asked to write the English version of the Crusade song. The English version of the song is available in hymnal size song sheets at all Baptist Book Stores. Sims titled his version "Christ the Only Hope." The Portuguese title is "Campanha," meaning "campaign." The English version's first verse and chorus read:

From the slopes of the Atlantic,
To Pacific's rugged shore,
Comes a mighty proclamation,
Bringing hope for evermore.
'Tis a message of salvation,
Of redemption for all men,
'Tis a message that Christ Jesus
Brings salvation from all sin.

Christ is the hope of our salvation,
Jesus Christ who saves from sin;
If your trust Him as your Saviour,
You can know His peace within.

Clarke College Bond Issue Now Ready

The \$300,000 bond issue of Clarke College, is now ready and the bonds are being offered for sale. The bond issue approved by the Mississippi Baptist Convention in November is for the purpose of completing the payment of construction costs for the new Fine Arts Building and for refinancing the entire remaining indebtedness on the plant facilities constructed during the Greater Clarke College Expansion Program: the Science Hall, Men's Residence Hall and Women's Residence Hall.

Official information concerning the bond issue will be found in a prospectus available from the college business office. However, the following information is available to those who may be interested. The bonds are issued in denominations of \$500, \$1,000 and \$5,000, there being a total of 300 bonds aggregating a total value of \$300,000.

Maturities range from one

year to twelve years. Interest at the rate of 6% per annum is paid semi-annually on February 1 and August 1 of each year upon presentation of the proper coupons which are attached to the bonds.

Already a considerable number of bonds have been sold and there is every indication that the entire issue will be sold. This sale represents the entire outstanding obligation on the plant facilities into one bond issue is an excellent move for the College.

Anyone interested in purchasing a bond or bonds is invited to write the Business Office of Clarke College, Box 440, Newton, Mississippi, for a copy of the prospectus.

WMU Convention

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WMU, especially urges men as well as women to attend this service.

Mothers of Mississippi missionaries will be recognized as special guests at the opening Tuesday morning session.

A business session will be held Wednesday morning which will include the election of officers and reports of registration, courtesy and other committees.

Convention theme will be "Publish Glad Tidings."

Other officers are: Mrs. Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, vice-president; Mrs. D. P. Godman, Jackson, recording secretary and Miss Sue Tatum, Yazoo City, assistant recording secretary.

This year's program will include inspirational addresses, reports of activities and plans for the future, worship periods, special music, business session and young people's activities.

The convention each year is sponsored by the State Baptist WMU.

Baptists In World

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(with the increase shown in parenthesis) are:

Africa — 471,856 (29,744)
Asia — 960,938 (20,732)
Central America — 214,363 (2,579)

Europe — 1,157,432 (29,188)
Middle East — 1,068 (186)
South America — 297,048 (14,607)

Southwest Pacific — 111,873 (3,351)
North America — 26,412,866 (2,343,435)

The statistical tabulation breaks down the totals by continents by listing the totals currently available in each of the 124 countries in the world where Baptists are known to live and witness.

AMERICAS CRUSADE UP TO BAT

All The Bases Are Loaded

By Gerald Martin

Within the past few days jet planes have carried me literally from one side of our nation to the other. My own heart is thrilled with what I've seen and heard! Since it indicates God is about to answer your prayers for national revival let me share it with you.

In California my eyes saw and felt the greatest surge of spiritual life ever known in that state. Twenty five years ago when "Uncle Sam" took me to that colorful state as a serviceman the work of Southern Baptists was so small it was actually "a needle in a haystack." Several times I have returned as an evangelist in revivals. The people were downhearted and discouraged. The attendance was thin and the results comparable.

California Baptists are now in the midst of the greatest evangelistic effort the state has ever known. The enthusiasm of the people is high, their compassion deep. The response is tremendous. In associational evangelism conferences all over the state the attendance has overflowed the largest auditoriums. The Holy Spirit is moving in mighty power upon the people. The Christians are committing themselves personally to witness as never before.

Thrills are in abundance as you move from one end of the state to the other. Dr. Eugene Grubbs, secretary of evangelism for California Baptists, reports the entire state to be high in their hopefulness for a pentecostal-like experience.

In our state of Tennessee we are not seeing large crowds turn out as they did in California but we've felt the same moving of God's Spirit. Men are recognizing our spiritual needs as never before. There is expressed concern for revival in our state and nation. Leaders all across Tennessee are disturbed about the small number of baptisms. There is a "stirring in the mulberry



DR. DAVIS holds plaque received at Institute.

Davis Receives

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odist Church, the Department of Work with National Baptists of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board and the Progressive Farmer.

"The Prophetic Ministry in an Age of Controversy" was the Institute theme.

Dr. Davis, who received the only award presented, took the lead in the organization of the Institute in 1957.

Negro ministers and other religious leaders from every section of the state were present for the program, which included inspirational addresses, seminars, Bible study groups, pastoral counseling, special music and fellowship.

Bryant Cummings' Mother Dies

Mrs. L. E. Cummings, mother of Bryant M. Cummings, secretary of the state Sunday School Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, died February 28, at the age of 72.

Funeral services were conducted at First Baptist Church, Owensboro, Kentucky, on Saturday, March 2, at 10 a. m.

Mrs. Cummings died suddenly with a heart attack while talking on the telephone. She was a member of First Baptist Church, Owensboro, in which city she had lived all her life.

Besides her son, Bryant, survivors include her husband, and one daughter, Betty Ann Cummings.



BUSINESS CRUSADE PLANS — Four men involved in planning for the Crusade of the Americas are shown here on the campus of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, deeply engrossed in discussion. From left, they are: Henry Earl Peacock, missionary and co-ordinator of the Crusade; President Duke K. McCall of Southern Seminary, a member of the Baptist World Alliance Executive Committee; Gerald Martin of Memphis, president of the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference; and Rubens Lopes, general chairman of the Crusade and a leading Brazilian Baptist.

trees," to use one of Dr. Louis Newton's favorite quotes.

Speaking to the Union Association (Houston, Texas) Baptist Pastors' Conference one pastor after the other came to express concern for the conditions of today. But with great optimism and outspoken conviction they said "We are praying that revival will break out during the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference and Southern Baptist Convention" (which meets in Houston June 3-7, 1968). They are leading their churches to this end. The best part of all: revival has already broken out among the pastors. The Holy Spirit is moving with liberty in their gatherings. They are praying for God to send "showers of blessings" to follow these "mercy drops."

You can speak for your area and the places you've been. God wants to do something great in our midst. "Call unto me and I will answer thee and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not." Jer. 33:3

Dehoney Challenges

The bases are loaded and the Crusade of the Americas is up to bat. Attending the committee meeting of the Continental Congress held in Washington recently we heard North American Coordinator Wayne Dehoney challenge us with what had happened in other nations and what could happen in our own.

After talking about Jesus we talked about the Crusade of the Americas. He became as enthused in that limousine as Wayne Dehoney was in the

pulpit. Henry Bartsch is an unusually intelligent, high moraled and tender hearted person but is not born again. Yet he recognized and stated that what we as Baptists are attempting in America is our only hope. An unsaved man believes that!

Now, God has called us to go to bat. He has pointed out to us that the bases are loaded. Everyone in the stands knows we are losing. Most of the viewers I talk to figure it

to be the "last of the ninth" (inning). If we get a hit we can drive in the "runs" which will win the game. In the Holy Spirit we have power available to "clean the bases."

"If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land."



Rev. Charles Brock is seen in front of Grace Memorial Church in Gulfport.

Church Adopts Stewardship Plans

The Stewardship Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention through the State Stewardship Department is offering to churches a new professional type fund raising campaign to secure from the members of the church monies to be used for church buildings.

Grace Memorial Church, Gulfport, voted unanimously to use the Church Building Fund Campaign to help replace an auditorium destroyed

by fire. Rev. Charles Brock is pastor.

This campaign is designed to save the churches thousands of dollars in interest, while at the same time allowing them to provide the facilities they need to reach people.

A representative of the Mississippi Stewardship Department will come to your church and discuss the fund raising campaign with your leadership.

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Southern Baptists And The Sunday School

In about two weeks the state Sunday school convention will be held at Meridian. A splendid program has been planned, and there should be a large attendance of pastors, and Sunday school leaders and workers, from all over the state. No phase of our work is more important than the Sunday school, and churches must keep that organization strong if their work is to continue to advance.

In the generations just passed, Southern Baptists learned to use the Sunday school as the most effective agency they had in reaching people, winning them to Christ, and enlisting them in the life of the church. Much of the rapid growth of Southern Baptists in the 30's, 40's and 50's, must be attributed to a great Sunday school program.

Can it be possible that the slow down of Southern Baptist work in the 60's has been caused by a failure to continue to give central emphasis to the Sunday school? Have we become so concerned about other activities, that we have forgotten the one organization, which more than any other, brought growth and advance?

We would not for one moment disparage the place of the Training Union, the WMU, the Brotherhood, the Music department, or other agencies and programs of the church. All of them are vital and should be given large emphasis.

Nevertheless, it still is true that the Sunday school reaches a much larger constituency than any other church organization, and therefore, has been and is, the most effective agency for church advance.

The Sunday school has the widest constituency. It has a place for every person, young and old, church member or not. Other organizations specialize on certain groups, as, for example, the Training Union is for church members. The Sunday school, however, finds the unsaved and the unenlisted, and brings them into the fellowship of the church family, places them under the teaching of the Bible by some of the best leaders of the church, and then seeks to win them to Christ and to church membership. It offers spiritual guidance, teaching, inspiration, fellowship and a place of service.

Even though there has been a tendency in recent years to give to each church organization an exclusive task and responsibility, the truth still remains, that a large portion of the people are reached by no other organization except the Sunday school, and therefore this organization must be used as the teaching, soul-winning and training agency for that group.

We believe that it still is true that if you want to build a great church, build a great Sunday school. If you want to win many souls and baptize large numbers of converts, build a great Sunday school.

If you want to enlarge the whole ministry of the church, build a great Sunday school.

If you want a strong stewardship program, build a great Sunday school.

The Sunday school, as Southern Baptists have developed and used it in recent years, has been a mighty force for advance for Christ.

While some groups have condemned the Sunday school, and have predicted its early death, Southern Baptists, and many other groups, know that this is far from true. The Sunday school is very much alive today, and where properly used, is still the mightiest Bible teaching force in the churches.

Sunday schools can be and are being built. While changes in communities have slowed the growth in some churches, and while the differences in world conditions, may be making the work more difficult than a few years ago, Sunday schools still are growing in many churches in numerous denominations.

Sunday school enlargement is one of the programs of the Crusade of the Americas. A "Preparation Guide" for a "Pastor led Sunday School Enlargement Campaign" is now ready, and the whole plan will be discussed at the coming convention in Meridian.

If the Crusade of the Americas is to reach the largest possible number of people, the Sunday school must be used in all of the churches.

Plan now to have your church well represented at the coming meeting, so that it may participate most effectively in the coming campaign.

To March Or Not To March

To march or not to march, that is the question?

Baptist leaders are debating whether to hold a parade or rally in connection with the coming Congress on Evangelism, to be held in Washington, D. C., next October.

The Congress is being held as a part of the Crusade of the Americas, and the North American Coordinator, Dr. Wayne Dehoney, and some other members of the committee planning for the Crusade, have felt that such a parade might be an effective witness for Christ, as it has recently been in numerous South American cit-

ies, and as it has been in the United States in years past.

Baptist editors in the Washington area, along with some others, have questioned the wisdom of such a parade, citing the atmosphere in Washington, and the possibility of even more eruptive conditions in that city during the coming summer.

We fully appreciate the desire of Dr. Dehoney and other leaders in their effort to make plans which will be unusual, and out of the ordinary, in order to reach the minds and hearts of the masses of people of the nation. Doing "business as usual" will not accomplish this. We remember reading of the impact that the great rally on the steps of the National Capitol during the Southern Baptist Convention in 1920, when Dr. George W. Truett spoke to thousands. That meeting made a spiritual impression that was felt across the nation. Something similar to that, except on a larger scale, must be what Dr. Dehoney and his leaders have in mind.

At the same time we can understand the fears and doubts of those who question the wisdom of a march. National television, and other news media have made the whole nation conscious of the marches, demonstrations, etc., which continually have disturbed Washington in recent years. If the atmosphere is not right in Washington next fall, then such a parade should not be held.

We believe that the Crusade of Americas committee planning the Washington Congress, will make the right decision. Perhaps at this time they should simply plan for some type of rally, or great meeting of witness for Christ, but wait until the time is closer for the final decision about a parade. If one can be held as a real witness for Christ, then it should be held. If it is not going to be that, then it should not be held. However, surely a great rally, with some outstanding world Baptist as the speaker, could be held even though there were no parade.

Baptists are a part of America, and have a positive witness for Christ to give to the nation. They should not hesitate to do the unusual simply because it might affect their "image," for if being a little different, and doing things in the unusual way, will give a greater witness, then let it be done. We should not allow "hippies," "demonstrators," or other agitators to make the decisions as to what we shall or shall not do in our Christian witness. At the same time, our leaders will need to use good judgment and the wisdom given them of God, in deciding what can and cannot be done in this Crusade.

We believe that Baptists have a committee which can be trusted to do the right thing in this matter. Other Baptists are now telling the committee what they think. With this knowledge, and also with full understanding of what they have in mind, we believe that they can be trusted to make the right decisions.



On the cover on the January issue of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists which seemed innocuous enough — some sort of arrangement of geometric figures. But to those who had seen the design before, the message was chilling. The magazine calls it, simply, the Bulletin clock, but to the press it has become known as "The Doomsday Clock." Since 1947, when its hands stood at seven minutes to midnight, the Bulletin's scientist editors have used it to symbolize their view of how close the world is to a nuclear holocaust. Twice the hands had moved up, to three minutes to midnight in 1949 when Russia exploded its first atomic bomb, then to two minutes when, in 1953, both the United States and Russia developed hydrogen weapons. But then the clock's hands were turned back, both in 1960 and 1963, with the thaw in U.S.-Soviet relations and the signing of the limited test-ban treaty. This moved the hands back to 12 minutes to midnight. But on the new cover, the time again is at seven minutes — "in sad recognition," said editor Dr. Eugene Rabinowitch, "that the past six years have brought mankind farther down the road to nuclear disaster."

—The Wesleyan Methodist

Revival Dates

Mountain Creek Church (Rankin); March 10-16; Services nightly at 7:15; Rev. Billy Joe Pierce, Pearson Church, evangelist; Roland Dear, singer; Rev. Jimmy Rodgers, pastor.

Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays.)

March 11 — J. B. Costlow, BSU director, Clarke College; A. A. Ward, Leake association; Sunday school superintendent.

March 12 — Carolyn Webb, instructor, Gilroy School of Nursing; J. W. Underwood, trustee, Baptist Hospital.

March 13 — Alton J. Miller, faculty, Mississippi College; Mrs. Vernon May, WMU president, District IV.

March 14 — Leon Ballard, Choctaw associational Training Union director; A. L. Hatten, Carroll-Montgomery associational supt. of missions.

March 15 — E. L. Howell, Baptist Building; Mrs. Mike Everett, Baptist Building.

March 16 — J. Frank Davis, faculty, Wm. Carey College; Lillian Heiderhoff, Baptist Book Store.

March 17 — Miss Mary Crenshaw, faculty, Blue Mountain College; Janis G. Nix, staff, Children's Village.

door play and a better chance to develop strong healthy bodies in the afternoons.)

Many mothers would jump at the chance to teach in half-day school if their young children were given free scholarships. I believe we must take the children back to church on week-days and Sundays if liberty and freedom are to survive in America.

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The Loose Stone

By Dr. W. Morris Ford

Dr. Sam Shoemaker tells a moving story in his book, *Extraordinary Living for Ordinary Men*, about his decision to move from his church in New York to Calvary Church in Pittsburgh. He wanted very much to know God's will in the matter. Twenty-seven years he had served the New York church. Pittsburgh offered a challenging opportunity. He needed help to know what to do.

His wife had said, "Are you really praying about that Pittsburgh call? I think it might be from God, and not just from Pittsburgh." He did pray. In the prayer he expressed his willingness to go if the Lord would make it clear.

Something indicative happened. He saw a stone block, come loose in a wall, with the cement broken and dry around it. As it dropped out, up-ending itself, it seemed to lean toward western Pennsylvania. Then he went to his office and tackled his morning mail. There was something there that related to his church program the next autumn. But something said to him, "There's not going to be any next autumn for you here." He went to Pittsburgh.

Strange story, indeed, but God has his ways of letting us know his will for us if we really want that revelation. The author went on to give his three tests to determine God's will for one's life. I pass them on to you, believing you really want to know.

(1) "Test it by the revealed will and plan of God, as we know it in the New Testament. The more we know our Bible, the better will be our contact with Christ, and hence our knowledge of His will."

(2) "Pray about it, and be ready for an answer. It is possible for us to have halted and wavered so long that we need to give ourselves a push to recognize and accept the guidance God is giving us."

(3) "Test it by circumstances. Does God offer you a stumbling block, or an open door? Sometimes God wants us to break through obstructions to find and do His will; but sometimes events positively conspire to make it known to us, and God is in the events."

Sam Shoemaker is simply saying we need to look first into God's revealed Word;

LIFT UP THINE EYES



Newest In Books

THE GOSPEL FOR AN EXPLODING WORLD by H. Franklin Paschall (Broadman 128 pp., \$2.95)

The popular president of the Southern Baptist Convention, and pastor of the First Baptist Church, Nashville, Tenn., speaks on the gospel as the relevant message for the present exploding world. He discusses the world conditions of today — population, immorality, sex, war, etc., and then shows how the gospel is the

then talk to God about it, all the while keeping spiritual ears open; and then keep an eye open for those revealing loose stones which so often point the way. It is not magic; it is simply being tuned in to the One from whom you want the answer.

Each of us needs to ask the question Saul of Tarsus asked when he was confronted by Christ on the Damascus road, "What wilt thou have me to do, Lord?"

answer for every human problem and need. He shows what the gospel is and how people are saved, explaining repentance, faith, and the work of the Holy Spirit in the new birth. He presents Christ as the Conquering One, and the meaning of the resurrection. The responsibility of the church to give this message to the lost world and minister to needy men is detailed in the closing pages. The messages are brief, but the illustrations and applications are clear.

THE KESWICK WEEK 1967 (Christian Literature Crusade, Ft. Washington, Pa., paper, 190 pp.)

Many Christian readers around the world each year eagerly await the publication of the annual Keswick Week book, containing the rich spiritual messages on Christian life delivered at the Keswick Christian Life Conference, held in England each summer. The 1967 edition is no disappointment. Among

the speakers widely known in America, whose messages appear in this edition, are Dr. William Culbertson, Dr. Paul Rees, and Dr. Alan Redpath. Great English leaders, and also those from other areas, are included. A feature of the conference was an exposition of Galatians by Dr. Rees. If you want your heart searched, and your own personal spiritual needs pointed up, get a copy of this book and read it. It almost will be like attending the conference.

PREPARING FOR PLATFORM AND PULPIT by John E. Baird (Abingdon, 222 pp., \$4.50)

Basic skills in the broad field of public speaking are often neglected in the training of preachers. Here principles of public discourse are presented in a logical and orderly fashion, by a college professor of speech. This book is good for classroom use and also as a self-help tool, for students, active preachers, and lay speakers.

The Baptist Forum

"If All Seats Could Only Be End Seats"

Dear Dr. Odle:

I desire to mention a need or custom which could be corrected in connection with the worship service of our congregation. This is a condition which exists in all churches and needs to be brought to the attention of all people.

Numbers of people sit on the end of the seat next to the aisle and when others come they will not move toward the center themselves, so make it hard for others to pass by them to be seated.

I have observed this for years, wishing that it could be different and it is possible if individuals would only realize how much good would be accomplished if the first persons to arrive would go to the center of that row of seats and leave the rest of the row for those arriving later.

Last Sunday I got into the sanctuary just after the organ began the prelude. I saw a row of chairs behind the back row of seats and some people already sitting in them but I also saw a lot of vacant seats all over the audience, so desiring to get nearer to the front I followed an usher, who showed me a seat on which three people were sitting between the center and the aisle, but next to the aisle.

A lady was occupying the first space, and two men next to her. The men considered moving down a space but she did not budge so they stood up instead for me to pass.

I am not extremely small nor large, and these men were not, but it was a struggle to get by her feet and go between them and the hats or heads without touching any of them. I think I made it.

One time I saw one of the oldest and best teachers of the Sunday school, who was accompanied by a blind member of her class, have to pass by two ladies sitting on the end of the seat before they could have a place to sit, when it would have been so easy, and more thoughtful of these ladies, to have moved down for them. Our people need to be reminded. As I see it, the needed improvement is important.

1. More people would receive more spiritual benefit from the service if all the front seats were occupied; for the nearer one is to the speak-

er or the program, the greater the benefit received.

2. The ushers are freely giving of their time and are faithful to the task and it would make it so much easier for them. It would not be necessary to bring in and carry out so many chairs. Inside seats are sometimes vacant because it is hard to get to them.

3. It would be so much easier and pleasant for those who come in last to be seated quietly and without disturbance which would be helpful to the spirit of prayerful worship.

4. It would be helpful to the pastor or speaker.

5. It would show a more unselfish disposition. I know that pastors would be pleased if these conditions were improved but I have never heard but one Pastor mention it and he was Dr. Robert G. Lee, who said, "I wish that all the seats could have ends."

I believe that Christians are becoming more aware of the need for personal witnessing and this is just a small part of it. But it is a part.

—A Member

In Favor Of Week-Day Church Schools

Dear Sir:

About 20 years ago I got a wonderful idea from an Episcopal minister. The idea was to use the new church auditorium as a kindergarten by stacking up the folding chairs. Our venture proved very successful and resulted in St. Martin's School of Metairie, La., which I am told is now worth a great deal of money. (I stayed four years with the school and found out that a few parents put their children on the waiting list before they were even born.) I am a Baptist.

As an experienced kindergarten and first grade teacher, I wish to challenge the churches of America to start their own primary schools. I believe that the best primary teachers in the nation will agree with me that first grade and kindergarten pupils can learn all they need to know in the mornings with dismissal at noon. (This eliminates having to feed the children at school except for a 10 a. m. milk break and gives the children more time for out-

Ethiopia Work To Begin With Community Project

A community development program featuring health centers, assistance in education, literacy classes, agricultural projects, and vocational training will open mission work in Ethiopia, Dr. H. Cornell Goerner, secretary for Africa for the Foreign Mission Board, has reported.

"We have been assured by officials that if we proceed in this way, we will be free to offer Bible instruction, worship services, and other activities which may result in new vitality and fresh spiritual life among a people, most of

whom are identified with the ancient Ethiopian Orthodox Church," he said.

Menz-Gishe.

The Menz-Gishe district, about 150 miles north of Addis Ababa, the Ethiopian capital, will be the scene of these efforts to interpret the gospel in new and meaningful ways. Dr. Goerner visited the district and its newly established capital, Mehal Meda, during a three-week trip to Africa. He was cordially received by the governor and the local representative to the national parliament.

Site Selected

A site for a small Baptist medical clinic was selected at the crossroads community of Tsehay Sina. The clinic, with examination room, treatment room, and office, will be built on high ground about 150 yards from a spring which will provide an unfailing water supply. Several minor health centers will be developed in the district.

The 1,000,000 people of the district (roughly 150 miles long and from 75 to 100 miles wide) now have one government health center, Dr. Goerner said. "The one thing the people recognize as a very real need is medical assistance," he continued. "If we can help them in this way, doors will open for us to offer education, Bible instruction, and a fuller, richer life in every respect."

In its February meeting the Board transferred a medical doctor, Samuel R. J. Cannata, Jr., to Ethiopia and appropriated \$4,000 for the clinic and \$4,500 for a mobile medical unit to be used in the surrounding area. Formerly missionaries to Rhodesia, Dr. and Mrs. Cannata are now on furlough in Houston, Tex. (Mrs. Cannata is a Mississippian.)

The first four Southern Baptist missionaries to Ethiopia, Rev. and Mrs. William E. Lewis, Jr. (of Miami, Fla.), and Rev. and Mrs. John R. Cheyne (of Fort Deposit, Ala.), arrived last summer and now live in Addis Ababa. (The Lewises formerly served in Tanzania, the Cheynes in Rhodesia.) Dr. Goerner said they have established excellent contact with the authorities and are speaking Amharic, the national language.

Mountains

He and the missionary men drove to the Menz-Gishe district. "Leaving paved roads about 85 miles, we wound along the crest of a mountain

ridge until we were more than 12,000 feet above sea level," he said. "To each side were deep gorges, often rivaling the Grand Canyon in their massive beauty. At times we could look down from the lofty highway and see clouds in the valley below. At other times clouds rolled in around us and we turned on headlights and crept through the fog."

"There are no large towns, just round, stone houses with conical, thatched roofs scattered singly and in small clusters. Almost all available land seems to be under cultivation. Often we saw hardworking farmers and their oxen plowing in the midst of large boulders too numerous to be removed. Somehow these people raise a crop despite the rocky terrain which would discourage less hardy folk."

"Mehal Meda, the district capital, is not very impressive now, but it is scheduled for much development in the next months. The daughter of Emperor Haile Selassie is going to build a summer palace there."

Clinic on Plain

"The clinic site is on a fertile plain at Tsehay Sina, 12 miles west of Mehal Meda. Tsehay Sina is not a town in the usual sense of the word, but the crossroads of a sprawling, thickly populated community. The people come and go, carrying their waterpots, tending their flocks, and bearing their burdens, sometimes with the help of a burro."

Ancient Kingdom

"This area was the center of an ancient kingdom prior to the 16th century. Great trees still grow where the royal palace stood, bearing silent testimony to the glory that centered there before Muslim invaders caused the emperor to flee and reestablish his government many miles to the northwest."

"On the site of an ancient Ethiopian Orthodox church destroyed by the invaders in 1540, a new church was recently built. There we met two priests clad in long, black, woolen blankets. They offered us black barley bread, which we took as a symbol of friendship. The people seemed friendly and curious."

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'Jot' Response Overwhelming

In the first two weeks on the air Southern Baptists' new television star, JOT, has received more than 5,000 pieces of fan mail. Each five-minute episode concludes with JOT, an animated dot, offering to send a surprise to the boys and girls who write. With youthful imaginations working overtime, they've written, at the rate of 500 letters a day. Their surprise requests range from an air rifle to a bicycle. Most of the children simply ask for the surprise, but one little boy in Alabama underlined his urgent request with, "I'm about to lose my pants waiting for you to send my 'surprise,' JOT!"

Dr. Paul M. Stevens, Radio-TV Commission Director, and executive producer of JOT, expressed the fear that it might be necessary to reduce the number of stations allowed to telecast the series. He said, "The high cost of animation and color film prints allowed us to place JOT on stations in only 15 Southern metropolitan areas initially. Even though this series is an unprecedented opportunity for children evangelism, 'it may be necessary with the new increases in postal costs, to reduce the count still further.'"

The Radio-TV Commission employees, excited over the enthusiastic response to the new cartoon series, have doubled-up on work loads to handle the extra 500 letters a day to JOT. The normal program response mail to all other Commission programs is about 2,000 letters a week.

The first "surprise" consists of an illustrated story of how JOT came into being and points up the happiness he can know if he is rightly related to God, a letter to parents explaining JOT's purpose for being on television, and a JOT button for the child to wear. The second "surprise" is a simple, printed game based on spiritual truths taught in the episodes.

Recognizing that JOT is making a unique contribution



to the moral and spiritual life of America's children, Dr. Stevens said, "Each JOT contains Biblical teaching in a format and language that communicates with children. Parents are captivated by the programs as well. It is a means to reach into the homes and hearts of thou-

sands of boys and girls, many of whom never attend a church or Sunday School. We feel that the printed follow-up, the surprise, not only builds audience, but helps to fix the truths taught in the programs in the minds of the children. Somehow, JOT must be continued."

Music In The Night

If you took a boat trip down the Rhine you would observe the beautiful feudal castles set in forests on the cliffs. There is an interesting story of a great feudal lord who built one of these chateaus.

The nobleman strung wires between the turrets, hoping the wind as it blew through the forest would make music on the wires strung aloft. Four or five years passed without him hearing a sound. He was deeply disappointed.

One night fingers of lightning streaked across the velvet sky. Rumbles of thunder reverberated through the heavens. A mighty wind shook the forest trees. Then, above the noise of the storm, the lord thought he heard beautiful music.

The wires were there all the time. It was not until the storm came that the music was audible.

It was only after the disciples had endured the storm on the Sea of Galilee that they heard above the noise of the cracking waves and the creaking ship the music of the Master's voice saying, "Peace, be still."

The waves of this troublesome world often put the Christian in jeopardy. He is exposed to tempests of doubt, trial, and danger. But Christ is able and ready to overrule and control the storms of life and to speak peace to a troubled heart. —Isale Townsend Baker

The Mysterious Killer

By Mai Bailey Tull

Editor's Note: During the 90th Anniversary Year of the Baptist Record, we printed several historical feature articles. In the following paragraphs is another story, received in recent months, which we wanted to add to that series. This one is written by the daughter of Dr. T. J. Bailey, editor of the Baptist Record from 1899 to 1912. She is Mrs. James P. Tull and lives in Jackson at 824 Carlele Street.

I was stricken with a deadly contagious disease in 1899. My father, Dr. Thomas J. Bailey, was pastor of the Baptist church in Winona, Mississippi, where the family resided when I returned home from college in June. It was then I learned that my father had been made editor of The Baptist Record, a state denominational paper, located in Jackson, Mississippi, and would move his family to this city.

He never liked being away from home any length of time without his wife or one of his children with him. I was the eldest of eight children, four old enough to travel with him. He would take us with him by turns. It was my turn to accompany him to Jackson to stay until the family moved there the first of October.

Long before I was born, the South had been plagued by the yellow fever scourge every summer. It would come as suddenly as a clap of thunder and spread as rapidly as wildfire. My father, aware of this, decided not to move the family until cool weather when the fear of a yellow fever outbreak had blown over. How providential that he made this decision!

It was well into August when the alarm came that a case of fever had been discovered. The city was thrown into dreadful confusion. Many people were out of town on vacation. Others fled the city to cooler climates. An immediate rigid quarantine was thrown around the city. No coming in or going out of Jackson.

There were several boarders at our place. Among them

was the pastor of our church, Dr. Furman Yarborough, who only took his meals there. We were all caught in the quarantine.

Our landlady was among the first cases of fever. All servants vanished immediately. I was the only person in the house besides the landlady. It was perfectly natural that I would go to her room when I heard her groaning and begging for help. I did not know then the cause of her illness, but that would have made no difference.

Between my room and the landlady's were folding doors. I went into her room and to my horror found her hanging out of bed, groaning and writhing in terrible agony. I ran to her and held her head over the basin. I became alarmed. I had learned something of the symptoms of yellow fever — bleeding gums, black vomit — were almost sure to prove fatal.

When the patient became quiet, I went to telephone my father who was then coming in the hall door. Before I could speak he said, "Mrs. Johnston has yellow fever. Have you been near her?" I told him what I had done and that I felt sure she was having the black vomit while I held her head. He looked so distressed. Before he could say anything the fire alarm sounded. Our boarding house was on fire! I rushed to my room, snatched some clothing, pulled off my small trunk toward the hall door, but could not get out. The firemen and their equipment had the place blocked.

I ran to a window that opened out onto the veranda, pushed the trunk out, threw my clothing to my father, then jumped out myself. As I started down the steps a huge water hose burst, drenching me from head to foot. A handsome young fireman pulled off his rubber coat, threw it around me, then helped me across the street to a friend's home. She and her mother removed my wet clothing and gave me dry garments. My teeth were chattering so that they put me to bed and brought me hot tea.

I was disgusted that the good-looking young man saw

me looking like a drowned rat! His face kept passing before me and for a moment I forgot all about yellow fever and the burning house.

We had to find a new lodging place. Our pastor came to our rescue by offering his home, as his family was visiting in the country.

Things were getting most miserable in Jackson. Each day added new names to the list of the sick and the dead. Most business houses were closed, and the streets were practically deserted. An air of desolation shrouded the city.

My father went to his office every day. Once I ventured to go with him. As we walked home that evening we passed a rooming house where there were yellow fever cases. On the ground beneath some of the windows lay bloody rags, and an awful stench pervaded the air. We heard groans from the sick and felt sure they were alone. No one would venture to nurse yellow fever patients. Even we passed by hurriedly and did not take that route again.

It was late October. At the first announcement that yellow fever was in our city my father bought tickets to Asheville, North Carolina, but kept hoping that Jackson would escape a disastrous epidemic, so we delayed going. He waited too late! Saturday morning, eight weeks after my experience with our landlady, I sat in the pastor's study while my father went to his office. The weather was cool enough to have a bit of heat. The room was comfortable and the pastor was in unusually fine spirits as if he felt that the worst was over. It was eleven o'clock.

Suddenly I began feeling so strange! My legs seemed to be drawing up my spine. Such agonizing pains I did not know a human could bear. The room was fading out. I was dizzy and nauseated. I knew exactly what was happening to me. I said, "Dr. Yarborough, get my father and the doctor. I have yellow fever."

He turned quite pale. "How do you know you have yellow fever?" I did not answer, but became unconscious and did not remember anything dur-

ing the next twenty-four hours.

When I came to myself I was in my room, but it wasn't the same room. I asked where I was, where my belongings were; the rugs, the draperies were gone. Germs! — I remembered. Slowly I regained consciousness.

My father came close to me, took my hand and said, "Daughter, the doctor says you have a well-developed case of yellow fever." He was deliberate but gentle, all the while holding my hand tight as if he would help me bear the shock. "About as I expected," was my stupid reply. I am thankful that I didn't panic, causing him more distress than he was already experiencing.

"I said, 'Don't worry. I am going to get well. Tell Mama that.'"

"I am worrying about Mama. She has had to bear this all alone," he replied.

"Yes, but Mama has lots of sense. She will take everything all right," I answered. I was fortunate to get a negro nurse who was immune. Not knowing what the outcome would be she asked me if there was anyone special that I wanted to notify of my illness. I gave her the address of a certain young man. She wrote him every day, and he wrote me daily, but I was not allowed to see the letters until I was able to read them myself, so she saved them for me.

The fever was slow to leave me. I was conscious enough to know of my father's marvelous attention and devotion. I was also conscious that my gums were bleeding, remembering that as one of the fever's bad symptoms. My nurse was constantly having me rinse my mouth. Miraculously I escaped black vomit.

Our house was situated on the road to the cemetery. All day and through the night I heard the clomp-clomp of the horses' hoofs as they carried out the dead—a dreadful sound! I knew that another soul had lost the fight. I learned later that five women in our block had died of the fever at this time.

We were fortunate to have two splendid neighbors, Mrs. Bishop Galloway and Mrs. Judge Campbell, both immune, who prepared my nourishment which was called

"beef tea." I was allowed only three tablespoons every two hours.

When the fever left me I was ravenously hungry. In my grandfather's words, "I could have eaten a boiled owl."

My father kept a record of my fever case from the hour I was stricken until I began to mend. Little did I dream that I would live to read this record of my fight with yellow fever and to write of it at the age of eighty-five.

I am giving excerpts from my father's letters written to my mother during my illness: "Jackson, Miss. Nov. 1, 1899

"My darling wife:

I am unable to write you that we are both well. Yesterday morning at eleven o'clock Mai was stricken with yellow fever. She has a well-developed case. She suffered very much all afternoon and night. I have been with her every moment and will continue with her unless I am taken. She is getting every attention that love and money can bring.

Darling, I hate to write you this but I promised to write you the whole truth and I have done so faithfully. We are in the Lord's hands. He will do what is right. Mai knows she has the fever and does not seem alarmed or despondent. I will write you twice a day. Love to all. Your own—T. J. Bailey" "Jackson, Miss. Nov. 3, 1899

"Darling, I have had my heart and my hands full the past few days. It seems a bitter pill to shut yourself in a yellow fever room but the situation loses its horror when love prompts. One goes to work as if unconscious of any danger. I may take the fever, Darling, but rest assured that I have left no stone unturned for the comfort of our child.

You have no idea how heroically she has faced the issue, and how patiently she has borne her suffering. Your own—T. J. Bailey" "Jackson, Miss. Nov. 3, 1899

"Darling, When the doctor told me that Mai had the fever I went to her bedside, sat down

and took her hands. 'Daughter, Dr. Harrison said you have the fever.' Her expression did not change one particle. She replied, 'About as I expected.'

Then I remarked that Mama would not know what to do under the circumstances. She said, with a smile, 'Mama has lots of sense. She will take it all right.'

I hope we will all be together soon, and we will stay together. Mai has just said, 'Tell Mama to ship goods so we can be together again.'

Your own—T. J. Bailey"

Nothing is more treacherous than yellow fever. No one knew what caused it, or how to treat it. It seemed that one either got well or one didn't. Whole families could be wiped out within a few days or hours. It worked so fast that there was barely time to count the sick or the dead.

As young as I was, and as ignorant of medical science and diseases, I felt that I didn't take the fever from a person. I told my father that a disease as dreadful and as fatal as yellow fever had to be taken through the blood, that I had surely been bitten by an insect, probably a spider, for I was mortally afraid of them. My father felt as I did. Certainly we were on the right track, but our ideas against a fleet of learned doctors would have amounted to nothing.

As one local writer said, "The germs, hideous things, could pass through fire, die, rise from the dead and keep on killing people if the disease was caused by germs."

A bit of ancient history will give the readers some idea of how terrible yellow fever was. In the earlier yellow fever epidemics (the worst being in 1800), New Orleans, Louisiana, and Memphis, Tennessee, were the worst hurt. There was no time to bury the dead. The "Dead-Wagon" would drive over the city calling, "Bring-out your dead; bring-out your dead!" The bodies were thrown on the wagon like so much trash.

In Memphis one family of three boys and one five-year-old girl were all fever patients. All survived except the little girl. The family had to see the lovely child thrown on the Dead Wagon with other bodies to be buried in a ruthless way.

Looking back over my yellow fever illness it all seems like a horrible dream. It was really a bout with death. All one could do was to hope and pray. For many there were heartbreaking memories. I am grateful that I was in the hands of friends and had the loving care of my father.

The boarding house did not burn completely. Only the second floor was damaged. The landlady recovered after a desperate fight and was allowed to remain in her room. I never saw the handsome fireman again. Three years later I married the man whom my nurse kept informed about my illness.

By the middle of December our family was together. What a wonderful reunion! My illness had been a frightful experience to us all, but it brought the family even closer together and taught us the power of prayer and the sweetness of sacrifice.

The year 1900 brought no recurrence of the fever. "Madam Aedes Regypti" (the female mosquito) had been dethroned, thanks to Dr. Walter Reed and his associates. They solved the mystery of the cause of yellow fever and exploded the germ theory, and our beautiful Southland was freed of the devastating mystery killer.

DAUPHIN WAY'S BILLBOARDS WIN CONTEST

Dauphin Way Church, Mobile, Ala., has won first place in the outdoor poster category in a citywide annual advertising award contest.

On Saturday evening, February 10, the Mobile Advertising Club Annual Awards Banquet was held at the International Trade Club in Mobile. (Each year awards are made for outstanding work in all media of advertising created in Mobile.)

The outdoor 24-sheet poster which Walter-Wright Advertising Company designed for Dauphin Way Church won First Place award.

Twelve such billboards were used for a one-month period and one will be put up on Airport Boulevard for one year.

Dr. Jaroy Weber is the pastor.

Carey BSU Holds Retreat At Kittiwake

The Baptist Student Union of William Carey College conducted their Spring retreat recently at Kittiwake Assembly on the Gulf Coast.

"The Impossible Dream" was the theme chosen by the 31 students who participated. Under the direction of BSU president, Susie Epperson, the retreat involved panel discussions, Bible study, recreation, and prayer times.

"Bible Passages that Bother Me" was a study led by Dorman Laird, graduate student at New Orleans Seminary, who will be coming as Director of Religious Activities at William Carey College on June 1.



NEW OFFICERS OF LEBANON ASSOCIATION GIRLS' AUXILIARY were installed at a meeting on February 12 at Central Church, Hattiesburg. Installing officer was Mrs. Claude Pittman, Sr., extreme right. Seated: Carol Martin, president; Linda Tilghman, pianist; Candace Cook, secretary; Jan O'Bryan, organist. Standing: Mrs. Billy Mitchell, special music director; Frances Bess Ogletree, song director; Sue Sibils, vice-president; Brenda Creel, treasurer; Linda Wright, prayer chairman; Mrs. James O'Bryan, Intermediate GA director; Mrs. H. M. Crenshaw, Junior GA director.

Mass Media Feature Brazilian Baptists

Brazilian Baptists received exceptional coverage in the mass media in connection with the annual meeting of the Brazilian Baptist Convention, held in Fortaleza, Ceara, in late January.

News of the Convention got more than 350 column inches in three local daily newspapers, plus radio and television coverage, reports Miss Roberta E. Hampton, public relations counselors for the North Brazil Baptist Mission. Some of the radio and TV appearances were planned; others spontaneous. For instance:

A caravan of young Con-

vention-goers from the state of Pernambuco stopped for a rest in Mossoro, Rio Grande do Norte, about 10 o'clock one night. Piling out of their bus for a look at the town, the boys began playing games on the sidewalk, but the girls found a small park and sang folk songs. Personnel at a nearby radio station heard them and invited them to sing over the air. (The station is owned by a Roman Catholic priest.)

A handbell choir and a soloist from the Seminary of Christian Educators, Baptist women's school in Recife, Pernambuco, helped provide mu-

sic for the meeting of the Convention and of the Brazilian Woman's Missionary Union. Granted 10 minutes on television, they performed so well that they were asked to stay and present additional selections. While they were preparing, the station gave bits of information about Baptists. A Baptist who was in downtown Fortaleza at the time reported seeing a large crowd watching the musicians on a TV set in the window of an appliance store.

To be trusted is a greater compliment than to be loved.



NEW ORGAN IN NEW BUILDING at Clarke College fascinates four faculty members of the music department. Focus of interest in the recital hall of the new Lott Fine Arts building are the Rodgers organ and the Yamaha grand piano. Trying out the new organ is Mrs. Marian Thornton, as music instructors J. B. McElroy, Mrs. McElroy, and Mrs. Edwin Neely, and President W. L. Compere, look on.

Initial Program Given In Clarke's Fine Arts Building

A capacity audience filled the auditorium of the Lott Fine Arts building at Clarke College on February 20, as the initial program was given in the new structure.

Dr. W. L. Compere, president of Clarke, who gave the invocation, announced that this program only marked completion of the structure.

Formal opening and dedication will come later.

J. B. McElroy of the music department directed the musical program. Students Huey Harpe and Lesley Jernigan accompanied at the new organ and grand piano.

The 60-voice combined chorus and choir sang from the platform, and the assembly participated in the hymns, responses, Scripture readings, and Doxology.



Stalneck Team

TO PRESENT CONCERT IN MERIDIAN

The Stalneck and Tyson team (pictured) will present a concert of sacred music at Poplar Springs Drive Church, Meridian, on Saturday night, March 9, at 7:30 p. m.

The team is in charge of music for the revival in progress this week, March 3-10, at Poplar Springs Drive. Rev. Harold E. O'Chester, pastor, is doing the preaching. Services are at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

SHADY GROVE ADDS STAFFER

Shady Grove Church, Hazlehurst, has extended a call to Phil Chisolm of Meridian and Mississippi College as music and youth director. Mr. Chisolm began his duties the first of January. He is married to the former Gail Costlow of Newton. Rev. H. Glen Schilling is pastor.

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First Church, Prentiss

This invitation includes those Youth from churches which have no organized Youth Choirs, as well as Youth from churches which have not learned the music. All music for the "First Timers" Festival will be supplied free of cost by the Church Music Department, and there will be no adjudication. Each church may choose the festival to attend according to convenience of location and date. The festival begins at 9:30 A.M. and will conclude with a concert at approximately 3:00 P.M.

GUESTS FOR LUNCH

Pastors and Music Directors of churches whose Youth participate in the "First Timers" Festival are cordially invited to be guests of the Church Music Department for lunch on the day of the Festivals. This meal will be served on campus. The Young People will probably want to bring a snack lunch, and drinks may be purchased on campus.

NO PREPARATION—NO COST

No preparation is necessary prior to the date of the festivals. There will be no music to buy, inasmuch as all music will be supplied free of charge by the Church Music Department. There will be no judging, but there will be many wonderful things for your Young People to learn and to enjoy at the "First Timers" Festivals.

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out her love with extravagant perfume in preparation for his sacrifice. Following his triumphal entry into the city on Sunday, Jesus returned to the Temple on Monday, where he responded to the interest of the Greeks by interpreting the necessity for and the meaning of the cross. John's Gospel omits subsequent teaching on Tuesday. Our lesson concentrates attention on the dramatic incident in the upper room on the evening before the crucifixion when Jesus washed the disciples' feet. Following the dismissal of Judas, Jesus gave to the disciples the new commandment of love which, by practice, would be their supreme witness to the world.

The Lesson Explained
Jesus' Hour
Verses 1-3

These verses describe the solemnity of the situation as Jesus assembled with the disciples for the Passover supper. He "knew that his hour was come." This was much more than premonition; it was perfect foreknowledge. He knew that he had come from God, that the time for his self-giving on the cross and his return to the Father had come, and that his humiliation must come before his exaltation. He knew the hearts of his disciples and their pride and striving about preferred places as they sat down for the meal. He knew the treachery in the heart of Judas and the vacillating loyalty of the others. In spite of all of this, "he loved them until the end," really "to the uttermost."

The Royal Servant
Verses 4-11

Jesus' perfect self-knowledge, perfect knowledge of the disciples, and perfect love made what he did all the more wonderful. He washed the disciples' feet. Why? First, there was no servant to perform the customary act of bathing the feet of the guests—something desirable for tired and dusty feet and something "needed" in ceremonial preparation for the meal. Further, Jesus wanted to teach the disciples an object lesson in humility, and he wanted to symbolize in unforgettable fashion his role as Servant.

Simon Peter protested. Jesus taught him that he must learn to be humble and recognize his dependence, particularly if he were to be in fellowship with his Lord. Washing the feet was a symbol, a symbol of cleansing, of fellowship, an of service.

Our Example
Verses 12-15

We can imagine the hushed silence that enveloped the group, as Jesus asked the disciples if they understood what he had done. His words of explanation made clear his purpose: to teach Christian duty in terms of humility and service and to teach a quality of character that ought to be central in the lives of Christians. He had taken the part of a slave to wash their feet to show to them that Christians must be willing to perform for one another the most menial tasks of service.

Truths to Live By

Christ's example rebukes the false and vain standards of the world. — People generally strive for status, glory in rank, and scheme to achieve prominence. In the eyes of the world, the important person is the widely known person, the person to whom many others report, the person who can swing his weight of influence and power. Such greatness is pure emptiness according to the measure of God, according to the example of Jesus.

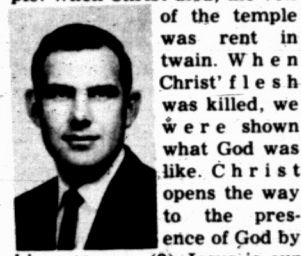
We must recapture the ideal of service. — We must think of life as mission, as a vocation to serve other persons according to their needs and according to God's purpose for them.

No service is menial if done in the spirit of Christian love. — Doing the washing and scrubbing to keep a home clean and attractive and livable is not menial. Sweeping streets, milking cows, or greasing machinery is not menial — if the worker will look beyond the job to its value and, above everything else, look to the Lord who made all honest and useful work holy.

By Bill Duncan
Hebrews 10:19-25

Here we begin the practical application of the theology of the first part of the book. If one studies this book he will be introduced to some of the greatest teachings of all the New Testament. All of this is in order to lay a foundation for worship and service. Someone has said that the deep thoughts of Hebrew are to forcibly appeal to men to enter into the presence of God.

Christ means three things to us. (1) Christ is the new and living way into the presence of God. The veil in the temple screened the presence of God from the people. When Christ died, the veil



of the temple was rent in twain. When Christ's flesh was killed, we were shown what God was like. Christ opens the way to the presence of God by his presence. (2) Jesus is our High Priest in Heaven. Because Jesus is in heaven, we have one who pleads our cause and establishes contact with God for us. When we come to heaven, he introduces us to God. (3) Jesus is the one who cleanses our hearts. He does not cleanse the external, but the inmost thoughts of the heart and mind until one is truly forgiven and clean.

Because Christ is doing this for man, then we ought to worship God. Man is called to enter the presence of God and worship Him. The opportunity of worship has been made possible for all men. The tragedy is that so few are willing to pay the price of worship. Every "man carries with him his own secret shrine; but so many men forget to enter it." Christ has made it possible for one to enter with a true heart. This is an exhortation for faithfulness. God has done everything possible on his part. Now the responsibility is on man.

Let Us Hold Fast

The believers are to retain their profession without wavering. The term hold fast can mean to keep our grip. Therefore he is saying, "Let us never lose our grip of what we believe." They are to stick to the job knowing that God is

they keep their part of the covenant. There are many things in life to discourage the believer, but we need to hold fast so that nothing destroys our faith.

Let Us Consider One Another

Not only are we to watch Jesus, but we are to watch one another. We are to fix our eye on our brother to watch for any tendency toward failure, with brotherly love. This can be done in three ways. (1) The best incentive for our brother to hold fast and draw near is our example. We seek ever to incite others to goodness by showing them Christ. (2) We must worship together. There were some who had abandoned the habit of meeting in worship. There is no man who can live the Christian life and neglect the fellowship of the church. Some think they do not need to go to church. Remember we go



Calvary, Canton Calls New Pastor

Rev. John W. Miller is the new pastor of Calvary Church in Canton. He graduated from Mississippi College, and plans to enter New Orleans Seminary this fall. Mr. Miller was formerly pastor of Bradford Chapel Church in Gore Springs. He and Mrs. Miller now reside in Canton.

to give, not only to get. (3) We must encourage one another. The world is full of discouragers. As a Christian, we are very God-like when we bring a word of praise, thanks, appreciation, or cheer to keep a man on his feet.

To the writer of Hebrews, life was moving toward the Great Day. Life has an end and demands loyalty until the end. Victory in the end will be only for one who has held fast. Remember that the end comes.

Robert L. Cargill tells of when years ago a train was moving across the West, many of the passengers complained of the dust, the warm water, the constant jarring, and the noise of the wheels that were not quite round. But there was one little lad who was all smiles and cheerfulness. Occasionally the conductor would pass by, and he would look up and ask, "How much farther is it?" The conductor would tell him, and he would say, "Oh, goody! That's not far!"

One grumpy lady could no longer stand it. She asked the little boy, "How can you be so happy with this old, sorry, dusty, hot train?"

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The manual is available in general and Baptist book stores.



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NEW PALESTINE CHURCH, Picayune, has built a very beautiful, buff-brick, four-bedroom pastorium. It features a double carport, complete electric kitchen, and family room. There is a pastor's study and guest bedroom with its own ceramic full bath. The home has two other ceramic full baths, and is fully carpeted, except in the foyer and the kitchen-family room area where beautiful marble design tile was used. The home is centrally heated and air-conditioned. The pastor, Rev. Robert H. Perry, and family are enjoying their new home. The Building Committee: Otto Smith, Chr., Joe Stringer, Charles Sherrer, Douglas Burge, Clinton Wheat, J. P. Buckley, Norman Mitchell, treasurer of building fund, E. B. Furr, builder. The home is valued at \$35,000.

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Seth, Who Helped Begin A Revival

Gen. 4:25-26
By Henry L. Tillman, Pastor
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The tragedy of Cain and Abel shattered the lives of Adam and Eve. In just a few brief days their family was gone. Abel was dead, killed by his brother who ran away from home in a fit of anger. Now the household was quiet and gloomy. Meals were eaten in silence. A thousand times they wished they had obeyed God in Eden. But, alas, sin never has foresight, only hindsight.

But God will not leave His people at the mercy of sin and evil. The Lord had promised them an heir who would uphold truth and righteousness and pass the faith on to future generations. (Gen. 3:15). True to His Word, God gave Adam and Eve another son. As an expression of their faith and gratitude they named him Seth which means "Appointed One." In this son, they saw the evidence of God's promise of an heir.

Was their faith justified? What type of person did this son become? Compressed in one brief verse of scripture, we have an account of his life and influence.

We are told that Seth became a man of God. He learned well the lessons of faith from his parents. During his lifetime, it was said "... then began men to call upon the name of the Lord." Not only did Seth become a child of God but he also led others to the Lord.

This is always the case. One who truly knows the Lord seeks to share his faith with others. Experiencing forgiveness of sin and fellowship with God is too great a joy to be silent about. In fact, for a person not to share the good news of salvation is the height of selfishness. If one does not share his faith in God, this may indicate that his profession, like Cain's, is purely superficial and false.

Seth strengthened the hopes of his parents and led in beginning a revival of true religion. Can this be said of you and me? Is your faith worth sharing with your children, your neighbors, your fellow employees, or your employer? If it is, have you been willing to lead them "to call upon the name of the Lord" as Seth did?

If your life story were written now, could it be said that many persons have begun to call upon the name of the Lord because of your influence? Will you become a man of God like Seth and be God's instrument of revival?



WILLIAM CAREY COLLEGE ALUMNA, BETTY HART (right), missionary to Chile, returned to her alma mater for a quick look at the new buildings that have been built since her graduation in 1952. Helping to point out the new Cafeteria and Foods Laboratory is student, **Zo Dillon**. The two women had previously been associated in work together in the Talla Dana mission in New Orleans.



MISS HAZEL BRELAND, formerly of Philadelphia, now Assistant Director of Recruitment Personnel Service for the American National Red Cross, Southeastern area, Atlanta, Georgia, discusses interesting Red Cross positions with three Blue Mountain College seniors who are also being enlightened about the work by Miss Kathy Wickstrom, a full-time National Red Cross worker. Seated, left to right: Miss Wickstrom; Miss Breland, (an alumna of Blue Mountain College); and Norma Boyce, of Memphis. Standing are, left, Sharon McCullough, Blytheville, Ark.; and Carolyn McDowell, of Tampa, Fla. These girls are friends of Gloria Glover, 1957 graduate of the college, who is program director for the Red Cross in Vietnam.



Rev. Ralph Brady

Brookhaven Pastor Publishes Book

The pastor of Pearlhaven Church, Brookhaven, Rev. Ralph Brady, has published a book entitled "Guadeloupe: Mission Field in the West Indies". The book is a result of a two-weeks tour of the island, which is nestled in the midst of the West Indies chain where the Caribbean Sea meets the Atlantic Ocean. Guadeloupe is an overseas

Japanese Baptists Give Cooperatively

Gifts to the Japan Baptist Convention's cooperative program totaled 16,020,795 yen (about \$44,501 U.S.) in 1967. The six English-language churches affiliated with the Convention contributed 4,771,636 yen (\$13,254) or more than one-fourth of the total, reports Rev. Worth C. Grant, press representative for the Japan Baptist Mission.

department of the government of France, is strongly Catholic, and refused the admission of any evangelical missionaries until 1946. Although the book describes many phases of life in the tropics, the main emphasis is placed upon what impact evangelical Christianity has made in the last twenty years.

Copies may be obtained at \$1.00 each by sending name, address, and payment to Rev. Ralph Brady, 200 Railroad Street, Brookhaven, Mississippi, 39601, and they will be sent postage paid immediately.

A TOWERING OAK
Memorial To Tobe Reno

Dr. T. N. Touchstone of Jackson has sent to the Record a copy of the memorial message given by the pastor of First Church, Indianola, Rev. Harry Kellogg, at the funeral of O. B. "Tobe" Reno, Dec. 11, 1967.

Mr. Reno was killed in an automobile accident on Saturday, December 9, enroute home from an educational meeting in Meridian.

"He had been extremely active in educational affairs of our state," says Mr. Touchstone. "Many honors came his way. His delta educational leadership was acknowledged by all school superintendents in that area. Tobe was an outstanding athlete at Mississippi College."

Mr. Kellogg's message appeared in the Indianola newspaper. In part, it stated:

"Blessed is the man who can walk among his fellow men straight and tall, yet lowly and meek. No greater goal of life can be set by a man as he strides across the scene of his day than to be a friend of man, a friend in whom no guile is found and no hypocrisy exists. The seeds he plants are the seeds of kindness, knowledge, quite leadership, assurance, calmness in strife, faith in God and Christian character. The road of our lives would be long indeed and the hills unclimbable, were it not for such men who come and walk beside us and encourage us on our way."

"Many such men are never noted by the historian, but they are noted just the same, for their lives live on, having touched the lives of others, igniting the flame of desire for better things and a better way, and no man has lived in vain who has helped another to find his way to God and a better life."

"It is sad indeed to see such towering oaks of character suddenly fall and lie still in death. But even in the falling of such a tree, tiny acorns have been spread abroad, and, in due season, about the lying oak, a great forest will grow."

"So it is with a man of



James Paul Moore

MISSIONARY'S SON KILLED IN ACCIDENT

Funeral services for James Paul Moore, 27, were held Friday, Feb. 23, at First Baptist Church, Selmer, Tenn., with Rev. R. G. Elliott officiating. He was the son of Rev. James H. Moore, pastor at Rienzi and superintendent of missions for Alcorn County.

Mr. Moore died in an automobile accident near Kosciusko, Miss., on Feb. 21. He was a service station attendant. He had attended school in Selmer and graduated from Rienzi High School, Rienzi, Miss., in 1959. He had been employed by Brown Shoe Company, Factory V, Selmer; had been employed by Billups Service Station, Corinth, Miss.; manager of Billups Service Station, Selmer; manager of Billups Station, Macon, Miss.; also employed by Billups in Columbus, Miss.; and at the time of his death was employed at Billups Station, No. 2, Jackson, Miss. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, Selmer.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Donna Sue Moore of Jackson; three daughters, Paula Sue, Julia Ann and Carol; his parents, Rev. and Mrs. James H. Moore, Rienzi; one sister, Mrs. Milton Bishop, Rienzi; and two brothers, Jerry W. and Jimmy Wayne Moore, of Rienzi; and his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wess Moore of Selmer.

Mr. Moore had formerly made his home in Selmer for a number of years.

Revival Dates

Marion Church, Marion: March 8-9-10; youth-led; Friday evening the evangelistic service will begin at 7:00; Saturday evening there will be a fellowship supper and singing service, beginning at 7:00. Special guest speaker will be Rev. Woody Burt; a special musical program will be presented on Saturday evening by a group of Clarke College singers; Rev. Kermit Sharp, pastor.

Plymouth Church, Columbus: March 3-8; services at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.; Rev. Otis Seal, pastor. Calvary, Meridian, evangelist; Rev. H. O. Haywood, pastor.

Benton Church: March 11-15; (night services only); Rev. Harry F. Jones, pastor; Rev. Howard Benton, pastor; East Side Church, Jackson, evangelist; Rev. Duwayne Tullos, Mississippi College, song leader.

Leesburg (Rankin): March 15-17; youth revival; Rev. Bill Brown of Grenada and Clarke College, evangelist; Kandall Winstead, Morton and Clarke College, singer; Rev. R. W. Porter, pastor.

Morrison Chapel, Cleveland: March 10-15; services at 7 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Monday through Friday; music under direction of J. T. Hannaford, First Church, Moss Point; Mrs. Lowry Dean, organist; Mrs. G. R. Harden, pianist; Rev. Dewitt Mitchell, pastor and evangelist.

Calvary Church, Batesville: March 10-15; Rev. W. C. Gann, Superintendent of Missions, Prentiss and Tishomingo Counties, evangelist; services morning and evening; Rev. J. D. Jostin, pastor; Jack Joslin, minister of music.

Salem Church, Tylertown: March 10-15; weekday services-10:00 a. m. and 7:00 p. m.; Rev. Billy Earl Burney, First Church, Boyle, evangelist; David Grimsley, Minister of Music at Tylertown Church, directing music; Rev. A. G. Gray, pastor.

Petal-Harvey Plans Clinic On Evangelism

Rev. O. E. Thompson, pastor of the church, will be at the church Monday and Tuesday, March 11 and 12, 7-9 p. m. Claude Townsend, president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention, will lead the men's group, while Mrs. Velma Soape, a dedicated soul winner from First Church, Columbia, will lead the ladies' group. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor, directors of child evangelism, Hattiesburg, are to lead the youth group; ages 12-24.

Under the direction of Don Lingle, music minister of the church, Alan Colletti, and David Duke, two well-known instrumentalists of Hattiesburg, will demonstrate evangelist music, at the beginning and end of each conference. Ministers of music of the participating churches will be in charge of congregational singing at each session.

A nursery will be provided each night, and refreshments will be served during the break, in the Fellowship Hall of the church.

PASTOR DIES

Rev. Elton C. Wheeler, pastor of Gallman Church, Gallman, died on February 21. Mr. Wheeler suffered a stroke while preaching on Sunday night, February 18, and died the following Wednesday. Rev. Dan Morton and Dr. E. C. Farr conducted the funeral service in the Gallman Church on February 22; burial was in Gallman Cemetery.

Mr. Wheeler answered the call to preach at the age of 31. He graduated from Clarke College and Mississippi College. He had served the Eden Church, and Rocky Springs Church, in Yazoo County. For the past 12 1/2 years he had served the Gallman Church.

One man reports that the majority of the men in the membership and leadership of the Gallman Church received their spiritual tutoring under



Herbert Batson

Joins Staff At Crystal Springs

Herbert Batson has accepted the call from First Church, Crystal Springs, to become minister of education and music. He will begin his work with the church on March 12.

Mr. Batson is a graduate of Mississippi College and Southern Seminary. He has served First Church, Clinton; First Church, Canton; First Church, Grenada; and is presently serving First Church, Oxford, where he has been for the past five years.

Rev. A. Estus Mason is Crystal Springs pastor.

the encouragement and guidance of this pastor.

Wheeler led the church in the building of two annexes to provide more educational space. He also led in the building of an attractive pastor's home. In addition to leading the church in substantial progress over a span of years he was loyal to his denomination. He held a number of offices in the association from time to time, and at the time of his death was a member of the missions committee of the association.

Survivors of the immediate family are Mrs. Wheeler and two sons, Jerry of Plaquemine, La., and Larry of Corpus Christi, Texas.

Names In The News

Evio de Oliveira, former minister of music at 38th Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, and Magnolia Street Church, Laurel, is presently at Eastside Church, Meridian, Mississippi. His sister, **Erluce de Oliveira**, is a student at Mississippi College.

Rev. Richard Wilson, director of the Rachel Sims Mission in New Orleans, was guest speaker Sunday, Feb. 25, at First Church, Crystal Springs. He showed slides of the home mission work he is directing. Mr. Wilson is a graduate of Shorter College in Rome, Ga., and Southern Seminary. Rev. A. Estus Mason is pastor.

K. L. Hatch was speaker and entertainer for the recent banquet for the youth of First Church, Morton. Rev. William Ross, pastor, **Tony Carlisle** and **Jo Ann Stuart** were selected as honor guests.

Theresa McRee, William Carey College music student, was featured vocalist Monday, February 26, with the Jackson Symphony Orchestra. This honor came to Miss McRee as a result of having won first place in the Mississippi Music Teachers Association annual competition held in October on the William Carey College campus.

Rec. a Dean's list scholar is **John Davis Morgan**, who is a sophomore at Hinds Junior College, Raymond. He is serving as alternate supply pastor on Sunday nights while Star is without a pastor. (Rev. Vance H. Dyess is former pastor.)

Mrs. Hayward Moore, of Mt. Hermon, La., formerly of Ethel, Miss., recently led the conferences on Intermediate work during the Louisiana State Vacation Bible School Clinic in Alexandria, La. Mrs. Moore is the former Christine Oliver and is married to Rev. Hayward Moore of Kosciusko. The Moores, before leaving the state to attend New Orleans Seminary, served several churches, including the Gaston Church of Booneville. Mr. Moore is now pastor of Mount Hermon Church, Mount Hermon, Louisiana.

Dr. Robert Marsh, new pastor at First Church, Laurel, Mrs. Marsh, and their son, Charles, were honored on a recent Sunday afternoon with a reception in the fellowship hall of the church. The family has moved to Laurel from Andalusia, Ala., where Dr. Marsh was pastor of First Church. Mrs. Marsh, the former Myra Toler, and her husband are both formerly of Jackson. Members of the congregation and also friends from other churches were present at the reception.

Rev. John Smith, missionary to Indonesia, was guest preacher at First Church, Starkville (Rev. D. C. Applegate, pastor) on Sunday night, February 25. He was visiting the church in connection with Laymen's Day activities and also spoke to the Brotherhood on the following night.

Former State Pastor Dies In Louisiana

Rev. Robert C. Clardy, age 62, died at his home in Larose, La., on January 16.

Clardy, who was known to his friends as "Pat," pastored several churches in South Mississippi before going to Louisiana a few years ago. His last pastorate was Lockport, La., from which he retired because of poor health. At the time of his death he was interim pastor of the Baptist church at Baldwin, Miss.

He is survived by his widow, the former Elsie Wallsmith of Wiggins, Miss. She will continue to make her home at Larose, La., where her address is Rt. 1, Box 351-A, Cutoff, La.

Funeral services were held at First Church, Raceland, La., with the pastor, Rev. Charles Edwards officiating. The body was returned to Wiggins, Miss., for burial, and a graveside service was held there.

Rev. J. C. Richardson, who pastored Forty-First Avenue Church (now Calvary), Meridian, from 1924 to 1927, died on February 26. The funeral was conducted from First Church, Poplarville, Miss.



JOHNNY MORGAN was recently licensed to preach by the Star Church, at Star. Johnny is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Davis Morgan of Star and is a sophomore at Hinds Junior College, Raymond. He is serving as alternate supply pastor on Sunday nights while Star is without a pastor. (Rev. Vance H. Dyess is former pastor.)

Off The Record

The talkative lady was telling us about the time she was talking to Albert, while I was talking. She yawned a dozen times!

"Maybe she wasn't yawning dear," said the husband. "Maybe she was trying to say something."—W. C. Hultgren

Small girl showing bathroom scales to a playmate: "All I know is you stand on it and it makes you angry."—The Tinley Park (Ill.) Times

A small boy with a penny tightly clutched in his hot little hand entered the toy store and drove the proprietor to distraction asking to see this and that and everything without ever making up his mind.

"Look here, my boy," said the storekeeper finally, "what do you expect to buy for a penny—the whole world with a fence around it?"

The boy thought for a moment and then replied: "Let's see it."

The **AGRICOLA CHURCH** in George County set a goal of \$560 for foreign missions. The total offering received was \$765. The church used a star and turned on lights as each Sunday school class reached its goal. The last light was turned on by Mrs. E. L. Parker (right) whose class was the first to reach their goal and whose son, John Parker, has been a missionary to Chile for the past 25 years. Assisting Mrs. Parker is Mrs. Glen Vincent, the W. M. U. president of the Agricola Church. The pastor is Rev. W. Bryce Evans.